

The Invention Claimed Is

1. A guided punch, comprising:  
a sharp, extendible guide wire; and  
a hollow punch mechanism adapted to ride on  
the guide wire, wherein said guide wire is adapted to  
extend from said punch.
2. A punch according to claim 1, wherein said  
punch is a rotating punch.
3. A punch according to claim 1, wherein said  
punch is an axially moving punch.
4. An anastomotic connector, comprising:  
a cylinder-like body; and  
at least one set of spikes, coupled to said  
body by twisting joints.
5. A connector according to claim 4, wherein  
said twisting joints comprise at least one torsion bar.
6. A connector according to claim 4, wherein  
said twisting joints comprise at least one bend area.
7. A medical graft delivery system,  
comprising:  
a tubular element for delivering a graft  
through a bore thereof and having a delivery end, said  
end being prone to distortion; and  
at least one collar removably encircling said  
delivery end, which collar prevents said distortion.

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8. A system according to claim 7, wherein said tube comprises weakened portions at or adjacent said delivery end.

9. A system according to claim 7, comprising an anastomotic connector preloaded in said delivery end and applying outward forces against said end.

10. A system according to any of claims 7-9, wherein said at least one collar comprises at least two collars.

11. A method of sealing an opening between two blood conduit lips, comprising:  
providing a clip;  
first retracting a first lip into said clip;  
and  
second retracting a second lip into said clip.

12. A method according to claim 11, comprising closing said clip to seal said opening.

13. A method according to claim 12, wherein closing comprises releasing said clip to selfdeform.

14. A method according to claim 12, wherein closing comprises plastically deforming said clip.

15. A method according to any of claims 11-14, wherein said two lips are lips of different conduits.

16. A method according to any of claims 11-14, wherein at least one of the conduits comprises a blood vessel.

17. A reducing profile anastomotic connector, comprising:

a ring section;

a spikes section comprises a plurality of spikes, wherein said spikes section defines a collapsing portion, for axial collapsing of said spikes section.

18. A connector according to claim 17, wherein said collapsing portion buckles.

19. A connector according to claim 17, wherein said collapsing portion twists.

20. A connector according to claim 17, wherein said collapsing portion folds out.

21. A connector according to any of claims 17-20, wherein said collapsing portion selfdeforms.

22. A connector according to any of claims 17-20, wherein said collapsing portion plastically deforms.

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